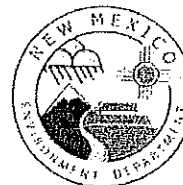




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**Re: Environmental Information Document  
Ruidoso Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade**

Dear Messrs Higgins and Waters,

The New Mexico Environment Department/Construction Programs Bureau (CPB) has reviewed the Supplemental Study of Advanced Treatment Options (revised PER), October 26, 2007, by Molzen-Corbin & Associates and found it to be in compliance with the bureau's requirements. Following review of the revised PER, CPB compared the PER to the approved Environmental Information Document (EID) of July 2006. As you are aware, the revised PER chose the Alternative 3, the Bardenpho/MBR process without the use of tertiary membranes. Section 2.1 paragraph 6 of the EID states, "Therefore, the MBR alternative has been temporarily eliminated from further consideration..... Therefore, the Joint Use Board may reevaluate the MBR process during final design." In the judgment of CPB, the EID should be amended to show the selected alternative Bardenpho/MBR and a new public hearing should be conducted focusing on the selected alternative. CPB will then submit the Environmental Assessment to EPA for determination of a Finding of No Significant Impact.

If you have any questions please contact me at (505)222-9512 or via email at [sandy.edens@state.nm.us](mailto:sandy.edens@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,

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